MR. CHAIRMAN: Members, please listen to the Minister (*Interruptions*) Will you please listen to the Minister?

श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल : चेयरमैन साहब, बिहार को कश्मीर बनाने से रोकिए (**व्यवधान**) इसको बर्दाश्त नहीं किया जाएगा (**व्यवधान**)

†[شري محمد افضل عرف م- افضل : چيئرمين صاحب بہار کو کشمير بنانے سے روکئے ... (مداخلت) ... اسکو برداشت نہيں کيا جائيگا -]

श्री मोहम्मद सलीम : बिहार में पिछले दरवाजे से शासन नहीं चलेगा . . . (**व्यवधान**)

†[شري محمد سليم : (پشچمی بنگال) : بہار ميں پچھلے دروازے سے شاسن نہيں چلےگا . . (مداخلت) . .]

SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Sir, this is Question Hour. I request that order be restored and the Question Hour taken up.

(*Interruptions*)

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Whatever issues they want to raise, they can raise during the Zero Hour.

(*Interruptions*)

श्रीमती सरला माहेश्वरी : बिहार में चुनाव करवाने होंगे।

SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Sir, this is an important issue. I request the Government to react to the situation. They should come with a statement.

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : बिहार में जो कुछ भी हो रहा है भारत सरकार के इशारे पर हो रहा है। सरकार को रिजाइन करना चाहिए हम इसकी डिमांड करते हैं . (**व्यवधान**)

†[] Transliteration in Arabic script

SYED SIBTEY RAZI: The Question Hour should not be disturbed.

(*Interruptions*)

MR. CHAIRMAN: The House cannot function like this. I adjourn the House till 12 o'clock.

The House then adjourned at twelve minutes past eleven of the clock.

The House reassembled at twelve of the clock, **The Deputy Chairman** in the chair.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Fall in Air India Share

*21. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the market share of Air India has been falling steadily since 1981, when it had reached the peak at 42 per cent and the same went down to 18.1 per cent in 1994; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Air India's market share of passenger traffic to/from India came down from 33.4 per cent in 1981 to 20.4 per cent in 1993. In terms of passengers, Air India carried 15.30 lakhs passengers in 1993 as against 13.13 lakhs passengers in 1981. The total international traffic to/from India increased from 39.20 lakh passengers to 73.50 lakh passengers during this period. The growth of Air India's carriage has not kept pace with the growth in total traffic, even though there has been no significant change in passenger load factors of Air India.